

<p><b>Name of the Partnership/Initiative</b> International Youth Dialogue on Sustainable Development</p> <p><b>Expected date of initiation:</b> Continual</p> <p><b>Expected date of completion:</b> Continual</p>
<p><b>Partners Involved:</b></p> <p>Governments:</p> <p>Intergovernmental organizations: UNEP; UN Youth Unit; UNESCO; UNICEF; AU; EU;</p> <p>Major groups: Youth and children; women;</p> <p>Other: Researchers; Academic scholars; government</p> <p><i>Leading Partner:</i> Name of the contact person/focal point: Global Youth Network – Pierre Andipatin Address: P.O. Box 5968; Durban 4000; South Africa Phone: +27-31-577-58-25 Fax: +27-31-207-16-46 E-mail: <a href="mailto:pierre.gyn@freemail.absa.co.za">pierre.gyn@freemail.absa.co.za</a> ; <a href="mailto:pierre_gyn@yahoo.com">pierre_gyn@yahoo.com</a></p>
<p><b>Main objectives of the Partnership/Initiative</b> Please provide a brief description:</p> <p>*The dialogue will be a partnership that is driven by youth but one which includes other actors who work or specialize in environmental protection or the pursuit of sustainable development. (Example: a professor or environmental researcher) * It shall provide an official, recognizable international youth platform on sustainable development.</p> <p>*The dialogue shall serve to create a continual discussion and reflection upon youth and sustainable development, thus identifying and acting upon any new opportunities or dissolving any new threats as they arise. *The dialogue shall also serve to bolster youth participation worldwide toward the achievement of sustainable development. *The dialogue shall be integrated and shall constitute not only youth but specialists on sustainable development and its issues; *this factor shall greatly increase the ability of the dialogue to advise governments, intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations.</p> <p>Please also provide a brief description of the relationship of the Partnership/Initiative with the objectives of Agenda 21 as well as relevant goals and objectives of the United Nations Millennium Declaration:</p> <p>The dialogue's focus is unequivocally on sustainable development and therefore the implementation of Agenda 21 is of paramount importance. The promotion of sustainable consumption will also be inextricably bound to the work of the dialogue.</p> <p><b>Expected results:</b></p>

Please provide a brief description:

\*Youth shall identify and dialogue over new threats and opportunities to sustainable development and mobilize in accordance with these, as they arise.

\*Youth will develop plans for action based on a thorough knowledge and understanding of the issues being addressed, gained from specialists in these fields.

\*Youth individuals and organizations will have a common international community from which to lobby governments and industry.

\*Youth will be able to continually share experiences and ideas with others for progress to be made.

\*Youth from the North or Developed world will be able to build the capacity of youth from the South and developing or least developed world.

**Specific Targets of the Partnership/Initiative and timeframe for their achievement:**

TARGET	TIME FRAME
Development of clearing house for information on youth projects and activities and services (website)	May – July 2002
Involvement of youth active in the field of sustainable development from 100 countries	May – August 2002
Launch	WSSD
Incorporation of specialist advisers	August – November 2002
Review of international youth involvement, readiness and capacity for further implementation of Agenda 21 and WSSD outcomes	December 2002 – January 2003
Developing concrete actions and projects out of outcomes of WSSD and commencing with implementation	February – May 2003

**Coordination and Implementation mechanism**

Please provide a brief description of expected coordination/implementation mechanism of the Partnership/Initiative

\*The Global Youth Network Secretariat based in South Africa shall invite youth participation and membership to the dialogue. An executive committee shall be established out of the membership by process of election.

\*The elected committee shall assist with recruitment of members to the dialogue. (This primary stage of networking shall be done via e-mail.) It shall constitute a chairperson, vice-chairperson, secretary, assistant secretary and a liaison person.

\*The dialogue members shall then identify not more than 10 priority areas which shall be addressed in working groups.

\*The working groups shall elect a chairperson and a secretary who shall be responsible for coordinating regular sessions and discussions of the working groups for a period of two years.

\*The executive committee shall be responsible for planning a general session for the dialogue once every two years. To which each chairperson and another elected representative shall attend.

**Arrangements for funding**

Please describe available and/or expected sources of funding for the implementation of the Partnership/Initiative (e/g donor government(s); international organization(s)/financial institution(s); foundation(s); private sector; other major groups, etc.)

Prospective Funders:

United Nations Development Programme

United Nations Environment Programme

European Union

African Union

The Government of the United States of America

The Government of Denmark

**Arrangements for capacity building and technology transfer**

Please include information if the Partnership/Initiative provides for training, informational support, institutional strengthening and/or other capacity building measures:

\*Basic skills on promoting community awareness and community mobilization as well as capacity building skills will be shared amongst members of the dialogue. \*The website shall also provide a clearing house for information and \*the general session shall incorporate skills training workshops on its agenda. \*Local communities can benefit from specialist advice.

Please also provide here a brief description of expected arrangements for technology transfer (if applicable).

\*Under represented communities and communities lacking the technology to contribute or gain meaningfully from the dialogue shall be targeted for development.

**Links of Partnership/Initiative with on-going sustainable development activities at the international and/or regional level (if any)**

Please provide a brief description:

\*Membership to the dialogue is also open to all those who are already contributing to sustainable development. These persons or organizations can make use of the dialogue to publicize and lobby support for their existing programmes.  
\*The dialogue shall serve as a platform for youth to network around sustainable development and share their experiences and knowledge.

**Monitoring Arrangements**

Please describe expected arrangements for monitoring of progress in the implementation of Partnership/Initiative after it will be launched at the WSSD:  
(e.g. frequency/modalities of preparation of progress reports; electronic updates, news-letters, etc)

- \*The executive committee shall provide the Global Youth Network Secretariat with a quarterly progress report.
- \*The executive progress report is made up of reports from the each working group.
- \*The executive report shall have to include all matters discussed and decisions or statements made by working groups as well as envisaged actions or discussions for the next quarter.
- \*These reports are sent via e-mail or otherwise posted.
- \*All quarterly reports are posted on the website.
- \*The website shall be updated to contain information of past, present and future discussions, statements or actions from each working group.
- \*The executive report shall be circulated to all members.

**Other relevant information:**

Web-site (if available):

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